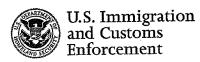
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Dear Mr. Beilstein,

I received your letter dated March 24, 2008, and have reviewed your request. I appreciate your consideration in seeking guidance before proceeding with your attempt to terminate Metalor Technologies' probationary period.

As Immigration and Customs Enforcement is the law enforcement agency that investigated the case that resulted in the Metalor Technologies prosecution, it would be inappropriate for this agency/office to be involved in making recommendations to the U.S. District Court regarding previous rulings. While Metalor Technologies' actions on probation are commendable, this office's role is investigatory, not adjudicative or decisive. Of course you may consult the U.S. Attorney's Office, however the Special Agent in Charge, Boston will not opine in this matter.

Bruce M. Foucart

Special Agent in Charge Boston, Massachusetts